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No additional claim fee is required.

Amendment increases number of claims or multiple dependencies. Additional Claim Fee Calculation

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Description	Fee Code	Claims	Extra	Rate	Fee	
Independent Claims	2201	16 - 12 =	4 x	\$100=	\$400	
Total Claims	2202	105 - 80 =	25 x	\$25=	\$625	

Total Fees Due ... \$1,025

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THIRD PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sirs:

Please preliminarily amend the above identified reissue application as follows.

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